

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Withdrawn) A method for transdermal administration of at least one active substance to a porous surface, comprising the following steps:
 - a) dispensing a certain amount of a liquid comprising at least one active substance and at least one solvent into an administration reservoir,
 - b) separating at least a portion of the at least one solvent from the administration reservoir by a solvent recovery means such that the at least wherein one active substance achieves a certain level of concentration in vicinity to the porous surface to be treated;
 - c) absorption of the active substance by the porous surface to be treated via diffusion such that the level of concentration in the administration reservoir decreases.
2. (Withdrawn) The method according to claim 1 wherein the solvent is separated by evaporation.
3. (Withdrawn) The method according to claim 2 wherein the evaporation of the solvent is supported by a heating element.
4. (Withdrawn) The method according to claim 3 wherein the solvent is evaporated through a membrane passable preferably for the solvent.
5. (Withdrawn) The method according to claim 2 where the solvent is removed by a pre-programmed opening a pinch valve that is in contact with the porous surface.
6. (Withdrawn) The method according to claim 5 where the solvent is removed by programming the pumping of the solvent.

7. (Withdrawn) The method according to claim 2 where the solvent is removed by a programmed lowering of an arm or lever.

8. (Withdrawn) The method according to claims 2 wherein the solvent is absorbed by a desiccant.

9. (Withdrawn) The method according to claim 5 wherein the desiccant is one or a combination out of the group of silica gel, molecular sieves, active carbon.

10. (Withdrawn) The method according to claim one of the claims 2 wherein the solvent is discharged into the environment.

11. (Withdrawn) The method of claim one of the claims 2 wherein the solvent is flushed by a fluid.

12. (Withdrawn) The method according to claim 1 wherein the at least one active substance passes an interface device which is permeable for the at least one active substance.

13. (Withdrawn) The method according to claim 12 wherein the interface device comprises a membrane.

14. (Withdrawn) The method according to claim 12 wherein the interface device comprises an adhesive layer suitable to be attached to the porous surface.

15. (Withdrawn) The method according to claim 1 wherein the steps a to c are repeated at predefined intervals such that the level of concentration of the at least one active substance in the administration reservoir is kept above a certain level.

16. (Withdrawn) The method according to claim 15 wherein the dispensing rate and the time pattern of dispensing the liquid into the administration reservoir are controlled by a programmable device.

17. (Currently Amended) A device for transdermal administration of at least one active substance to a porous surface, comprising:

- (a) an administration reservoir;
 - (b) a dispensing device interconnected to the administration reservoir for delivery of at least one active substance dissolved in a solvent to the administration reservoir, wherein the administration reservoir is suitable to receive the active substance dissolved in the solvent;
 - (c) ~~a solvent removal element configured to absorb solvent from the administration reservoir by evaporation; and~~
 - (d) an interface configured to contact the porous surface and suitable for transferring the active substance from the administration reservoir to the porous surface; and
 - (d) a solvent removal element configured to absorb solvent from the administration reservoir by evaporation when the interface is in contact with the porous surface;
- wherein the transfer of the active substance from the administration reservoir to the porous surface is controlled via the absorption of solvent by the solvent removal element.

18. (Previously presented) The device according to claim 17 wherein the interface is suitable to be arranged in vicinity to the porous surface.

19. (Withdrawn) The device according to claim 18 wherein the interface comprises an adhesive surface suitable to be attached to the porous surface.

20. (Previously presented) The device according to claim 17 wherein the interface is a membrane permeable for the active substance.

21. (Previously presented) The device according to claim 17 wherein the solvent removal element is separated from the administration reservoir by a separation means.

22. (Previously presented) The device according to claim 21 wherein the separation means is selected from the group consisting of a membrane, a foam, a cellular material, a honeycomb, and an air gap.

23. (Previously presented) The device according to claim 21 wherein the administration reservoir and the solvent removal element are spaced apart a distance by the separation means.

24. (Withdrawn) The device according to claim 17 wherein the solvent removal element comprises one or more of the following materials: Desiccant, general or a selective absorbent material, silica gel, a molecular sieve, and active carbon.

25. (Withdrawn) The device according to claim 17 wherein the solvent removal element comprises a chamber with an inlet and an outlet for flushing by a fluid.

26. (Currently Amended) The device according to claim 17 wherein the dispensing device comprises at least one reservoir for an active substance which is interconnected to the administration ~~device~~ reservoir.

27. (Withdrawn) The device according to claim 26 wherein the dispensing device comprises a propellant means to propel the active substance from the one reservoir into the administration reservoir.

28. (Withdrawn) The device according to claim 27 wherein the propellant means is a pump and/or a propellant gas.

29. (Withdrawn) The device according to claim 26 wherein the dispensing device comprises a first reservoir comprising a first active substance and a second reservoir comprising a second active substance and the first and the second active substance are mixed by mixing means before delivery to the administration reservoir.

30. (Withdrawn) The device according to claim 29 wherein the mixing means is a pipe with vortex means providing an appropriate preparation of mixture.

31. (Withdrawn) The device according to claim 35 wherein the control device is interconnected to at least one valve for controlling the administration of the at least one active substance.

32. (Withdrawn) The device according to claim 35 wherein the control device is programmable according to a predetermined regime or time pattern or interval of administration of the at least one active substance.

33. (Currently Amended) The device according to claim 35 wherein the control device is interconnected with at least one sensor for measuring a condition of the at least one active substance within the administration reservoir.

34. (Previously presented) The device according to claim 33 wherein the administration of the active substance is based on the signal of the at least one sensor.

35. (Previously presented) The control device according to claim 17 wherein the administration of the active substance is controlled by a control device.

36. (Withdrawn) An administration unit for application of at least one active substance to skin wherein the at least one active substance is dissolved in a solvent, comprising an administration unit configured to distribute the active substance to the skin or to a skin-compatible adhesive layer, wherein the administration unit comprises an administration reservoir and a solvent removal element comprising a separation layer that is impermeant to the active substance and permeable to the solvent.

37. (Withdrawn) The administration unit of claim 36, wherein the separation layer further comprises a material that controls evaporation rate of the solvent at a surface of the separation layer.

38. (Previously presented) The device of claim 17 wherein the solvent removal element controls the transfer of the active substance from the administration reservoir to the

porous surface by controlling the concentration of the at least one active substance in the administration reservoir.

39. (Previously presented) The device of claim 17 wherein the solvent removal element controls termination of the transfer of the active substance from the administration reservoir to the porous surface by drying the interface.

40. (New) The device of claim 17, further comprising a housing, wherein the administration reservoir, the dispensing device, and the solvent removal element are located within the housing.